

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

DETROIT DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS BOX 1027 DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48231-1027

IN REPLY REFER TO

March 13, 2009

Dear Great Lakes Construction Industry Member:

I cordially invite you to join other Great Lakes contractors in Detroit, Michigan on Monday, March 30, 2009 for a discussion of anticipated FY09 Great Lakes contracts. The Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 program includes a very robust workload for Great Lakes Navigation. At this meeting we will lay out the anticipated FY09 maintenance dredging, CDF, and structural repair contracts expected from the Buffalo, Chicago, and Detroit Districts this season.

The purpose of the meeting is to present a list of anticipated projects, expected procurement methods, and projected schedules. Due to the large number of contracts expected this year, we are giving the contractor community an early notification so you can prepare accordingly. Representatives from Buffalo, Chicago, and Detroit Districts will be available in person at this meeting to answer any specific questions that you many have.

The meeting will be held from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. EDT on Monday, March 30, 2009 at the Detroit District office in the McNamara Federal Building, 477 Michigan Avenue, Detroit, Michigan. The meeting will take place on the 6th Floor in the Lake Superior Conference Room. We will also have call-in capability for this meeting for those who are unable to travel to Detroit.

- Call in number: (888) 296-1938

- Participant code: 178983

Please confirm your intent to attend with Mrs. Julie Udell at (313) 226-1305 or by email at <u>Julie.A.Udell@usace.army.mil</u> by March 23, 2009.

Details on the meeting will be available next week on our Great Lakes Navigation webpage at: www.lre.usace.army.mil/greatlakes/navigation. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions on the meeting. I can be reached at (313) 300-1707. Also, I encourage you to pass this invitation on to any colleagues who may be interested.

Sincerely,

Michael K. O'Bryan, P.E.

Great Lakes Navigation Business Line Manager